



William (Bill) G. Grayell

July 24, 1925 - December 5, 2023

William (Bill) G Grayell, passed away peacefully at his daughter's home in Sarasota, Florida. Bill was born and raised in Sandusky Ohio to Wilson and Ruth (Hensley).

He enlisted in the Army for World War II. After honorable discharge World War II, he returned to Cleveland Ohio, went to Cleveland Institute of Arts for automotive interior styling. After completing his degree, he moved to Detroit, Michigan to work for Ford Motor Company. While he was employed at Ford Motor Company. He was called up for active service for the Korean War in the U.S. Air Force. He went back to Detroit, Michigan to continue as an automotive interior stylist. He left Ford Motor Company to work for Chrysler Motor Company. He retired from Chrysler in 1978. Brief time at AMC Motor Company. He went back to Chrysler for 11 more years until he and his wife to moved to Sarasota, Florida in 1990. While he was retired, he was busier in his retired years. He was engaged in various endeavors . He was a member of the Sarasota and Birmingham Power Squadron and Antique and Classic Boat Society. He was a commissioned artist painting Chris Craft wooden boats. He volunteered at Sarasota Memorial Hospital for over 20 years. He was a member of Chrysler and Sarasota Yacht Clubs. He was a member of the TPC Prestancia Golf Club.

He was married to the late Dorothy M Grayell for 41 years until her death in

1997. He is survived by his children. Mark (Daena) of Birmingham, Michigan. Scott (Cathy) of Boulder, Colorado. Lesta (Joe Cappuccio) Sarasota, Florida. Longtime companion Ann Brownell of Sarasota, FL.

Visitation and memorial service are at Toale Brothers on Orange Avenue, Sarasota, FL on December 18, 2023. Visitation at 12:00. Memorial Service at 1:00.

He will be buried on December 19, 2023 with his wife at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell Florida.

Memorial donations can be sent to the National Kidney Foundation in honor of Dorothy M Grayell Kidney foundation at 5756 S Semoran Blvd Orlando, Florida 32822.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel
40 N. Orange Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34236
(941) 955-4171
info@toalebrothers.com
<https://www.toalebrothers.com/>

Memorial Service

DEC 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Burial Service

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery
6502 S.W. 102nd Ave.
Bushnell, FL 33513

Tribute Wall

DA

“❤️ *Two years since you left us. We miss you so much. I hope you and Mark will be sitting next to me on the couch when I watch White Christmas.* ❤️



Daena - December 05, 2025 at 09:50 AM

MA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Mark - December 17, 2023 at 02:15 PM

JM

“ *Jenny Moglica planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William (Bill) G. Grayell.*

Jenny Moglica - December 16, 2023 at 06:45 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William (Bill) G. Grayell.



December 16, 2023 at 06:45 PM



“ Moglica Family lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) G. Grayell



Moglica Family - December 16, 2023 at 06:40 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mark - December 14, 2023 at 09:06 AM



“ Mark lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) G. Grayell



Mark - December 13, 2023 at 10:30 PM

MA

“ Mark sent a virtual gift in memory of William (Bill) G. Grayell



Mark - December 13, 2023 at 10:30 PM

MA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mark - December 13, 2023 at 10:13 PM

MA

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Mark - December 13, 2023 at 10:11 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mark - December 13, 2023 at 10:01 PM